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Attorney Docket No.: OGOH:026A
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Prior Application:
Examiner: Kenneth A. Parker
Art Unit: 2871

Sir:

This is a

☐ Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

☐ Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114
(prosecution of the application is closed in the sense of 37 CFR §1.114(b));

☒ Divisional Application (parent not abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(b);

☐ Divisional Application (parent being abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

of pending prior application Serial No. 09/450,415, filed November 30, 1999

for [Title as filed]: LIQUID CRYSTAL ELEMENT AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

[Amended Title]: same

by [Inventors]: Kazuhiro NISHIYAMA; Yukio TANAKA; Kazunori KOMORI;
and Akio TAKIMOTO

1. ☒ A copy of the prior application is attached. This copy comprises a true copy of the prior application as filed (specification, claims, drawings, declaration). No amendments referred to in the declaration (if any) filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
2. ☐ Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS
AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT
OR CREDIT FEES TO
DEP. ACCT. 16-0331
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3. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING IN AN APPLICATION AFTER
ENTRY OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 NOTED BELOW

Basic Fee
\$ 750.00

Total claims	28	-20 =	8 x \$18.00 (* 9.00) =	144.00
Independent claims	8	- 3 =	5 x \$84.00 (*42.00) =	<u>420.00</u>
Total Filing Fee.....				= \$1,314.00

4. [x] A check in the amount of \$1,314.00 is enclosed (Ck# 116930).
THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY OTHER FEES
WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 160331.

5. [x] Cancel in this application claims 1-30 and 45-50 of the prior
application before calculating the filing fee. At least one
independent claim is retained for filing purposes.

6. [x] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the
sentence:

--This application is a Rule 1.53(b) divisional of application
Serial No. 09/450,415 filed November 30, 1999, now allowed.--

7. [] Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37
CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on in this application
which was not entered therein.

8. [x] Priority of foreign application(s) No. H11-034545 filed February
12, 1999 and H11-222396 filed August 5, 1999; in Japan is claimed
under 35 U.S.C. §119.

[x] The certified copies were filed in prior application No.
09/450,415 on November 30, 1999.

[] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application
is filed herewith.

9. [x] The prior application is assigned of record to MATSUSHITA
ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. Recorded at Reel 010427, Frame
0361.

10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:

[x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

[] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

[x] c. Address all future communications to

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11. [x] An Application Data Sheet is enclosed.

12. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith.

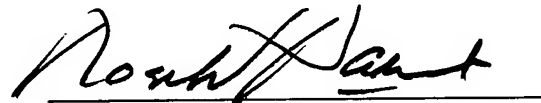
13. [x] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

14. [x] This application is not entitled to Small Entity Status.

15. [x] A Letter to the Official Draftsperson is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

PARKHURST & WENDEL, L.L.P.



Roger W. Parkhurst
Registration No. 25,177

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In re Application of: Prior Group Art Unit: 2871
Kazuhiro NISHIYAMA et al. Prior Examiner: Kenneth A. Parker
Serial No.: Rule 1.53(b) Divisional
 of Serial No. 09/450,415
 filed November 30, 1999

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LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Mail Stop PGPUB Drawings
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please substitute the attached twenty-five (25) sheets of
formal drawings depicting Figures 1-22 for Figures 1-22
originally filed with the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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